

Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 1

Meeting Date: April 24, 2007

Meeting Location: Lake County Juvenile Justice Center

3000 West 93rd Avenue Crown Point Indiana 46307

Council Members Present: Richard Ban, Jane Bisbee, Melanie Cox, Deborah Harris, Cynthia Kambesis, Jeffrey Miller, Henry Mosley, Elizabeth Tegarden, Dianne Weiss Bradley, Lynda Wheeler

Council Members Absent: Mary Beth Bonaventura, Alfred Fisher, Glenn Commons, Rita Daniels, John Sedia, Lavetta Wade

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 3:40 pm

The March 27, 2007 Regional Service Council meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as read.

New Business for the meeting was to review the prevention proposals that have been received. The proposals are for services to prevent child abuse and neglect. They will be paid from Child Welfare Service monies. Lake has \$800,000 to expend in 2007.

Lake received 3 proposals from Gary Community Improvement Association.

Proposal #1 for Parenting Education.

Proposed activities include Family Resource packets at a cost of \$3,000; Ongoing Parenting Education through Parents Assuring Student Success and parent Leadership trainings for parents of pre-school and school-aged children at a cost of \$41,856. Total Cost of Proposal is \$44,856. After a review of the proposal a motion to approve was made, seconded, and approved by all council members present.

Proposal 2 is for Mentoring programs for Minor children and parents.

Proposed Activity – Recruit fathers and men to become active father figures in the Spring and summer. Provide Summer and Fall enrichment activities. Provide Coordinating and facilitation of 4 workshops of the National Fatherhood Initiatives. A database will be developed from this outreach and will be used as a resource pool for training throughout 2007. Total cost of the proposal is \$17,000.00. After a review of the proposal a motion to approve was made, seconded, and approved by all council members present.

Proposal 3 is for Life Skills.

Proposed Activity – A six unit six week program to provide teens with a greater understanding of managing their personal finances in the areas of goal setting, budgeting, and savings. Total cost of proposal is \$ 2,900.00. After a review of the proposal a motion to approve was made, seconded, and approved by all council members present.

A question was asked about the outcomes. A requirement of the contract will be that a report is made at the end of the program regarding who received the services, how many, to what capacity, and the outcomes.

The Council also received proposals from Dockside Services. These proposals did not meet the requirement for preventive services. They will be sent back to Dockside so they may redo the proposal showing how families will access these services, how they will get referrals, what population will be served.

A request was made that any new referrals be sent to council members before meeting.

No further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 4:08 pm

Next meeting will be on May 29, 2007, at 3:30 pm